

Not Given Much Credit

But Wives of Early Western Settlers Did Their Part

First white woman to the plains of Western Canada was Marie Galois, who journeyed to the Red River in 1807 and later as far west as Edmonton, said E. A. Corbett, local historian, in an address at Saskatoon.

Talking on "Early Women of Western Canada," the speaker remarked early fur traders were not always given credit to the women who accompanied them into new lands.

Corbett referred to the wife of David Thompson, one of the west's earliest explorers. Mrs. Thompson, he said, was a half-breed girl born at Ile a la Crosse in 1788, daughter of Patrick Small, one of the first white traders on the Churchill River.

David Thompson married the girl when she was 14 years of age, and from then on she was his constant companion.

The speaker regretted Alexander Mackenzie had left little record of the part his wife played in his northern explorations.

"It is unfortunate," he continued, "that we know so little of the wives of the Selkirk settlers, of such white women as the wife of James Rowland, who with her husband made Old Fort Edmonton famous for its hospitality during the early years of the last century."

Asphalt In Petroleum

New Process May Make It Available For Paving Material

Oil wells which supply the gasoline to move vehicles were pointed out today as a new source of paving material over which to move them.

All petroleum contains asphalt, but much of it has not been utilized for paving because of impurities. By a new vacuum process of extraction, demonstrated at the International Petroleum Exposition, pure asphalt falls like rain out of the cloud of vaporized petroleum. The still in which this is done is owned by Dr. Sidney Borg, director of petroleum research at the University of Tulsa. The stills are towers made of heavy steel, 40 to 60 feet high and five to 22 feet in diameter.

In the interior of the towers are almost perfect vacuums. Into them is run petroleum from which gasoline and kerosene have been extracted. The liquid is shot into the vacuum tower at 4,500 degrees Fahrenheit, a temperature at which it instantly explodes into a cloud of vapor. The liquid vapor the asphalt falls completely pure in a coal black rain.

Collars Replace Riband

Holders of Certain Decoration Must Change When Ordered

Holders of certain orders wore their "collars" when the King held the second levee of his reign at St. James' Palace. That was because the levee coincided with the birthday of Queen Mary, and notices announcing it bore the footnote: "N.B.—May 26 is a collar day."

Collar days—there were 35 last year—are days on which, if decorations are worn, the riband of the Garter, the Thistle, the Bath, St. Michael and St. George, the Royal Victorian Order, and certain other orders is replaced by the collar of the order.

It is laid down in court regulations that collars must not be worn after sunset, except by the King's special command, so that they are rarely seen at public dinners or receptions.

The collar—with the badge of the order suspended from the left shoulder—should be worn under the shoulder straps or epaulettes of uniforms, fastened with white satin bows, 1½ inches wide, at either side.

New Northern Sea Route

Navigators of Soviet Have Made Mariners' Dreams Come True

A new sea route has been opened for Soviet navigators after three years' preparatory work. The Russian cargo vessels have succeeded in establishing a route to the Far East along the northern coasts of Europe and Asia. Such a way has been the dream of mariners for centuries, though 10 years ago Nansen declared the idea to be impossible.

An icebreaker fleet placed along the route has kept the channels open. More than 100 ships of the Soviet merchant marine have this winter sailed along this roof of the world without a single mishap. Five radio stations keep vessels informed of weather and ice conditions.

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Get Practical Training

High School In Jacksonville, Florida, Has Splendid Plan

In Jacksonville, Florida, high school boys and girls are getting training for future jobs in the community at the same time they attend school. They go to school part of the day and the other part they spend in the department store, advertising office, broadcasting station, theatre, hotel, team, telephone office, hearing practice room, right on the job. Since the inauguration of the "Jacksonville Plan" about two years ago 86 per cent of the vocational pupils have secured jobs upon graduation, and the plan is spreading to other cities of the south and west.

The majority of the boys and girls leaving high school today can go to college, yet their training is directed toward that goal. When they apply for a job, the employers ask: "What can you do?" The answer is: "I don't know, but I can try anything." The Jacksonville graduate says: "I have had two years' experience in a bank, or in an auto-mechanic's shop, or any other of the different types of training institutions in the community—Christian Science Monitor.

King Edward Of Yacht Squadron

Admiral Has Official First Field By Edward VII.

The King has become Admiral of the Royal Yacht Squadron, perhaps the most exclusive club in the world. Edward VII. was the first holder of the office of admiral, inaugurating it at his accession in 1901. The club itself was established in 1812.

A story circulated that the famous royal racing cutter Britannia was to be sunk to spare her indignity of the ship-breakers' yard. However, enquiries showed this report to be incorrect. The King has given instructions that the sails and rigging of the craft be sold, but the remainder of the equipment is to be stored in no instructions have been given regarding the hull. The Britannia was built in 1893 for Edward VII. when he was Prince of Wales. The famous cutter won 231 first prizes and 129 other awards in 625 races in the course of 43 years of racing.

Future Of Quintuplets

Dr. Allan Roy Daffoe Hopes They Will Become Normal Young Women

Dr. Allan Roy Daffoe's hopes the plorin quintuplets will become just as normal young women as girls born singly rest largely now on the women to be entrusted with the education of the famous babies who are now two years old. Admitting he had few fears left about the babies' health, Dr. Daffoe said he and the other guardians will shape the babies' lives until they are 19.

Phones In Canada

Canadians Do More Phoning Than Any Other People

Canadians do more telephoning than any other people in the world. Statistics released at Montreal show every man, woman and child in Canada held an average of 21.4 telephone conversations last year. The United States with 19.24, Denmark and Sweden were next in order. In Canada there are 13 phones for every 100 persons.

Needed Larger Shoes

A pair of size 29 shoes, costing \$88 was made in Findlay, Ohio, for Robert Wadlow, the 18-year-old giant of Alton, Ill. The shoes, probably the largest ever made, were returned, however, because, Wadlow said, they "pinched" his feet.

Crossing the onion and the garlic plants has produced a new vegetable known as the "garlion," said to possess the best qualities of both.



Need More Scholarships

More Opportunity Required For Bright Students Without Means

Dr. R. C. Wallace, newly-appointed principal of Queen's University, stated at Ottawa that Canada needed more scholarships for her students. Dr. Wallace, president of the University of Alberta, succeeds Dr. W. Hamilton Fyfe, who accepted the principality of Aberdeen University.

It should be possible for a student, irrespective of means, if he has the mental ability, to go right through school and college, said Dr. Wallace.

Regarding positions for university graduates, Dr. Wallace said: "People to be realizing more and more the importance of trying to help the trained person and making businessmen are recognizing this and doing all that lies in their power to prevent the trained person from going to waste."

"Sports have a real value in their correct place," he said. "We must remember that students do not go to university for sports. That is not why universities were founded."

SELECTED RECIPES

HERMITS

- 1 cup butter
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 egg
 - 1 cup raisins, stoned and chopped
 - 1 teaspoon each allspice, cinnamon and nutmeg
 - 2 cups flour
- Crean Cream Magic Baking Powder
- Crean together thoroughly butter and sugar, then with a wooden spoon work in raisins and spices, then the well beaten eggs, then flour and baking powder, which have been sifted together. Roll out and cut with very small cutter. Bake in moderate oven about 10 minutes.

Known As Electric Man

English Farmer Can Take 150 Volts Without Feeling It

Invalided out of the British army as a hopeless cripple after an attack of rheumatic fever, T. Lintott, a farmer of Tottenham, England, has become known as "the electric man." When making repairs he never bothers to disconnect the wires. He can take 150 volts without noticing it. After leaving the army he threw away his crutch, bought a motorcycle and learned to ride unaided. Since then he has not needed the crutch.

World's Only Dwarf Elephant

Hardly Five Feet Tall But Weighs 1,700 Pounds

The smallest adult elephant in the world arrived at St. Nazaire, France, to make his debut in a French circus. He is nine years old, his name is Auguste, he is slightly under five feet tall, and he weighs the trifling total of 1,700 pounds. Auguste was born a normal elephant, but suddenly stopped growing, and is a dwarf to this day. He arrived in a crate labelled: "Fragile; not turn upside down."

In time of trouble, the old Union Jack looks good to others as well as Britons.

Russia claims to have 1,500,000 soldiers guarding Soviet borders.

Was Noted Explorer

Harry Whitney, Of New York, Dies In Montreal Hospital

Harry Whitney, of New York, died in hospital at Montreal recently. He was born in 1872.

In 1909 and 1910 he was the centre of a controversy about discovery of the north pole. Mr. Whitney had gone north with Admiral Peary and in 1909 both Admiral Peary and Dr. Frederick A. Cook returned from the Arctic and both claimed discovery of the north pole.

Doubt was cast on Dr. Cook's claims, and Mr. Whitney entered the controversy. He said he had gone hunting while with the Peary expedition and met Dr. Cook, who left instruments, clothing and other effects with him which Whitney cached. He said Peary refused to take them aboard his vessel, the Roosevelt.

When the controversy broke it was intimated Mr. Whitney had destroyed Cook's records or had purloined them for sports. That is what he made only one statement, that Dr. Cook had told him of reaching the north pole and had sworn him to secrecy.

Mr. Whitney returned to the Arctic in three successive summers and continued to be a member of parties which went to the Arctic with Bartlett until 1930.

Reproduction Of Old Shop

Merchandise Of Century Ago Shown In New York

An American company 100 years ago made a pair of silk stockings for Queen Victoria. They are on exhibition in a Fifth Avenue, New York shop which Whitney cached. He said Peary refused to take them aboard his vessel, the Roosevelt.

Among the attractions on exhibition are the embroidered silk wedding hose worn by a bride in 1847 and a pearl and goldfish handbag made of fabric from a priest's robe in the 16th century.

May Live In Palestine

Haili Schaeiss Is Considering Palace On Mount Of Olives

A palace on the Mount of Olives built by an emperor now in exile may become the permanent home of another emperor.

Haili Schaeiss, who fled before the Italian armies, may make his residence in another way. He is now in exile with Kaiser Wilhelm II, for wife, the Empress Augusta Victoria, after their visit to Jerusalem at the end of the last century, it was reported. At that time Palestine was part of the Turkish Empire.

The Negus recently visited the palace, which is now a monastery.

Usual Companions

A Canadian hunker goes and a lamb inseparable companions on a Modoc county farm near Berkeley, California, understood each other perfectly.

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A Moral Renaissance

In a world riven with fear and mistrust, with greed, hatred and suspicion rampant between individuals, between economic, political and social groups and between nations, there must be much inward searching of souls, much communing of hearts in an effort to find the cause of all this strife in the hope that thereby a remedy may be found and once again nations may live in peace and people may pursue the paths of progress with hope and confidence in the future.

That there is much travail, seething and unrest at home and abroad no one can gainsay, and until some key has been found which will unlock the gate to peace and prosperity, there can be no assurance of widespread happiness and contentment.

What is this key, millions of people are asking themselves and asking one another as they wade with dismay the troubled waters of a troubled humanity?

Perhaps the answer is to be found in the statement made in the British House of Lords on March 19, 1936 by the Marquess of Salisbury, son of the famous prime minister of the same name in the late Victorian era, when he said:

"The cause of the world's state is not economic, the cause is moral. . . If I may use a phrase which is common in a great movement which is taking place in this country and elsewhere (The Oxford Group) what you want are God-guided personalities, which make God-guided nationalities, to make a new world. All the other ideas of economic adjustments are too small really to touch the centre of the evil."

If such a statement were made from the pulpit it would probably be regarded by many as more or less of a commonplace, something to be expected from such a source, but when it is made by a peer of the realm in such an institution as the House of Lords of Great Britain, it has more arresting and significant effect and serves to emphasize what might be considered a platitude by others elsewhere.

The minds of many great leaders are being directed in this channel as is evident from recent utterances of other great men whose words, whether their political or economic creeds are accepted, inspire serious thought and consideration.

A similar idea was expressed about the same time by President Roosevelt of the United States when he said:

"No greater thing could come today to our land than a revival of the spirit of religion—a revival that would sweep through the homes of the nation and stir the hearts of men and women of all faiths to a reassertion of their belief in God and their dedication to His will for themselves and for their world. I doubt if there is any problem—social, political or economic—that would not melt away before the fire of such a spiritual awakening."

Further testimony in support of this sentiment comes from Roger Babson, founder of the Babson Statistical organization, whose prophecies of future trends based on statistical data are regarded as authoritative over the entire continent. Mr. Babson recently said: "I expect a business revival. But only a spiritual awakening among the people can make it enduring."

These and other authorities and leaders in many countries of the world are unanimous in their opinion that before there can be a change in the national and international outlook it is essential that the viewpoint be changed and that, in effect, a moral renaissance is necessary for the national viewpoint can be none other than that of the individuals which constitute it.

It might perhaps be said: What is the use of Canadians adopting an unselfish or a lofty moral viewpoint so long as the peoples of other countries exemplify a diametrically opposed outlook? Such a restricted conception of purpose and duty could only serve to delay the consummation of the peace, concord and prosperity which the great majority desire to see. Reform and improvement must first come from within and spread outward like the ripples on the water from the cat alone.

Whether one agrees or not with the doctrines of the Oxford Group movement, one cannot but recognize that when they draw attention to the fact that there must first be a change in the individual before there can be a changed national viewpoint, they are hitting the bullseye.

Keeps Passenger Log Book

Capt. William H. (Bill) Wincapaw of Boston, veteran Massachusetts aviator, keeps a passenger log book which everyone must sign before going aloft with him. Every page contains more than 50,000 signatures. The most unusual passenger log ever carried by Wincapaw was a group of 13 persons, each of whom was 83 years old.

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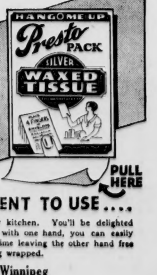
Mr. and Mrs. Newby were silent as the train bore them home wards after their honeymoon. Mr. Newby was hard up. He had spent every penny on the honeymoon and his next pay-day was a fortnight off.

As they neared home the young wife gave a merry laugh. "I'm going to tell you a secret that will cheer you up, Billy," she said. "Before we went away I hid ten pounds in the luggage."

"Yes," said her husband. "I know, I found it."

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